# SPRING.

GARDINER BAXTER.

MINISTERS' CONFERENCE. An Interesting Session Held Yesterday

Afternoon. There was a good attendance at the pastors' conference in the Y. M. C. A. ooms yesterday afternoon. President W. A. Frye occupied the chair and Secretary G. A. Pollard was pres-ent to attend to his duties. The Rev. Noeris of Lansing, opened the devo-

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which Dr. Mulhern was re-elected president and the Rev. Frye was again made
vice president for the term of three
months. The secretary and treasurer
are elected yearly in October.

The change of the Sunday evening
services from 7 o'clock to 7:30 o'clock
was announced and the clergymen
present were asked to give notice of
the same to the newspapers.

The Rev. E. Wigie read selections
from his book, "Prevailing Prayer," a
Christian and scholarly production. At
the close of the reading considerable
excitement was occasioned by the motion of a member who desired the conference to endorse the book. Several ference to endorse the book. Several spoke against the motion, not because they doubted the merit of the book but simply because they had not read it. After an animated discussion a ote of thanks to the Rev. Wigle for his kindness in giving the readings was sub-stituted. At this point the Rev. J. W. Reid left the room and the Rev. T. G. Smith, who offered the substitute, cordially invited the Rev. Wigle to expound the lectures embodied in his book, "Prevailing Prayer," from the pulpit of Mission Wood Presbyterian hurch at any convenient service

The meeting closed with the benediction by the Rev. Wigle.

SHE STUCK TO THE STAGE.

Millionaire Lamson's Daughter Bound to Become an Actress

NEW YORK, April 11 .- Lillian Lamson, daughter of George F. Lamson, a San Francisco millionaire, on Saturday night last played the part of Elinore Fordham in "The Still Alarm" at the Grand opera house in this city. Miss Lillian was educated at Snell's semin-ary in Oakland. Her father vigorously appropriate the sheet and a services of a deopposed her when she expressed a de-termination to go upon the stage. It was only after a secretly arranged ap-pearance with Frederick Warde that he yielded even a part of his objections. He reluctantly provided his daughter with the means to organize a company and make a tour on condition that she should not leave the coast. It was hoped by this means to quench her passion for the stage, but any and make a tour on condition instead the experience made the young woman all the more ambitious. One morning last fall she lett her home at 7 o'clock to spend the day with some friends. Later in the day the family received a telegram from her saying that she was on her way to New York.
She found some old friends here and made the rounds of the theatres. She morning at 10 o'clock.

She found some old friends here and made the rounds of the theatres. She was forgiven by her people, but instead of returning to them got an engagement with the Drews in "That Girl From Mexico." She worked hard and the result is a good engagement for next season with Joseph Arthur.

SPRECKELS WILL HAVE REVENGE He Is in a Position Now to Even Up Matters With Hawaiian Planters.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 11 .- The sugar planters here have come to terms with Opreckels and left the entire control of the sugar interests on the Pacific coast in his hands. A man on the inside said today concerning certain attacks made here on Spreckels:

"The sugar industry on the Pacific coast and the Hawaiian islands is vir-tually concentrated in the hands of Clads Spreckels. Henceforward, it is claimed, there will be no opposition to him in the great field of productive industry and enterprise he has made excinsively his own."

Some time ago the Sandwich islands planters, who raise about half the sugar crop there and are rivals to Spreckels, joined the American sugar trust and tried to put the sugar king "in a hole." Spreckels then carried the war into Africa by going east and establishing a factory in Philadelphia, and his victory is the result.

Death by Carelessness.

The inquest over the body of Charles Jones, the young man injured last Sat-urday by falling under the wheels of a Chicago & West Michigan gravel train. who died at St. Mark's hospital Sun-day morning from the shock resulting from injuries received, was held at O'Brien's undertaking rooms yesterday afternoon. The verdict was that he received his injuries by falling under the wheels while attempting to save a cable, used in operating the sand plow, which was dragging on the track at a point where the train had accidentally broken apart.

L. R. Society Entertainment.

The L. R. society of the First Presbyterian church will give an entertainment at the church, corner of First and Scribner streets, Tuesday evening, April 12, at 3 o'clock. There will be no ad-mission fee. All are invited. The program will include selections by the gram will include selections by the Rev. L. H. Davis, F. Harper, M. Herrick, Little Georgia Holly, Lena Selle Bridgeman, La Verne Pelton, Gertrude Madden, Peter Hook, Sume and Tillie Echternach, Miss Nellie Rewey, Miss Cora Phillips, and Miss Flossie Botaford.

Funeral of Mrs. Smith.

The funeral of Mrs. Nancy T. Smith will be held at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. W. E. Cooper, No. 288 Thomas street, this morning at 11 o'clock instead of having been held yesterday afternoon as announced. The remains will be taken to Red Creek, N. Y., this afternoon, for burial, Her son, A. W. Smith of West Toledo, arrived in the city yesterday to attend the funeral.

Contagious Diseases.

Harry Phillips, aged 11, No. 136 Jefferson, typhoid fever; Augusta Kup-penheimer, sged 26, Hermitage block, typhoid fever; Samuel O. Goodale, U. B. A. home, typhoid fever.

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Anna Brooks, a teacher in the city UPON A NEW TRACK TAILOR MADE

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WARM SUGAR SOCIAL.

Royal Templars of Temperance Spend a Pleasant Evening.

The Royal Templars of Temperance held a warm sugar social in the parlors of Good Templar hall in the McMullen block last evening. Before the sugar was served a pleasing musical and literary program was presented. Recita-Lottie Somerville and Luzie Gage Mrs. C. E. Edgcomb gave a toact on "The Gentleman, which, owing to the sentiments partaking more of the nature of a roast, created considerable amusement. Music, instrumental and solce, was furnished by Ed Walbridge, Mrs. Dr. Foskens and the Muses Roe loefs. The entertainment was much enjoyed by those present and the so-cial chats over the dishes of warm syrup were among the features of the

Bond's Must Be Filed. Mayor Uhl said last night that in the past it had been customary for the officers after they had taken possession, but that he considered the precedent a bad one and thought it advisable for the present council to approve the bond, because if the fact that a great deal of money and valuables will be turned over to them, and that the city should be secured.

Burial Permits.

Mary Wood, aged 40, Wyoming township, obstruction of bowles; Nancy T. Smith, aged 88, No. 288 Thomas street, smith, aged 88, No. 288 I homas arrest, apopiexy; Frederick W. Tusch, aged 68, No. 304 West Bridge street, marsamus; Alexander Dorf, aged 43, No. 525 Crosby street, tuteneulious pulmonalis; Leon Schmidt, infant, No. 462 Second street, bemerrhage; Clara Waltz, aged 12, No. 262 North Ionia, hip disease.

Mrs. Averill's Dwelling Burned. The dwelling burned on Eighth street, E. L. Briggs' addition, yesterday afternoon, was the property of Mrs. S. J. Averill and was occupied by Mrs. Asice Bellis, a widow who had but recently moved in and was supporting nerself by washing. There was no in-surance on either the house or its con-tents. The loss falls with particular severity upon Mrs. Bellis.

Pump Works Contract. The board of public works held a special session yesterday and opened the bids for constructing the new city pump works on Canal street. A con-tract was signed with Hosken & Maunder and work will begin at once. The company immediately let the sub-con-tract for the carpenter work to Rozema

Congressional Convention. The Fifth congressional district conrention will be held in the circuit court room in this city today beginning at 11 o'clock a. m. Its business is to elect two delegates and two alternates to the national convention at Minneapolis.

Feast of the Passover. The Jewish Passover began last evening and will continue seven days. ner & Baxter.

morning at 10 o'clock. City in Paragraphs.

The Y. M. C. A. monthly social that was to have been held this evening has been postponed. The postponement was made on account of the failure of the stereoptican slides to arrive that had been ordered from New York for the occasion.

The regular social of the Park Congregational Church Young People's so-A debate on the Behring sea controversy will be in order, followed by refreshments.

Logie lodge, No. 161, A. O. U. W., will dedicate its new hall on the corner of West Leonard and Turner streets. A pleasing literary and musical program has been prepared for the occa-

Miss Fannie Compton, formerly a student under Mrs. Myrtle Koon Cherstudent under Mrs. Myrtle Koon Cherryman of this city, graduated from the
Detroit School of Elocution and English Literature last Saturday.

A maple sugar social will be held in
Foresters' hall, over Nos. 30 and 32
Canal street, this evening for the benefit of Peter Jasper who has been sick

for the last four months.

Miss A. Z. Straight is offering an ex-

tensive line of Parisian dress patterns at from \$35 to \$250 each, complete. This is the finest line of costumes ever shown in the city.

J. Dubridge has resigned his position

with the Brush factory, with which he has been connected for the past eighteen years and will move to lowa.

"Napoleon? I consider him the greatest men since the days of Jesus Christ," answered the late Sam Chip-

man a short time ago. The funeral of Frederic William Tusch will be held from his late residence, No. 304 West Bridge street,

Wednesday at 3:30 p. m.
Twenty-two new members were added to the Y. M. C. A. last evening.
One from Battle Creek and another from Rockford, Ill.
The meeting of the Y. M. C. A. board

The meeting of the Y. M. C. A. board of directors last evening was without interest, nothing but routine business being transacted.

Grand Rapids lodge of Good Temp-lars will have a box social Thursday evening in their hall in the McMullen

The Young People's societies of the local churches will hold prayer meetings next Sunday morning, Easter, at 5:30.

The Grand Castle of the Knights of the Golden Eagle of Michigan will go into session in Maita Castle hall today. There will be a special meeting of the Peninsular chapter, O. E. S., this even-

ing. Degree work will be exemplified.
Workmen began moving the contractor's office building from the court
house site on Ottawa street yesterday. The street car company began laying ta rails yesterday on Fifth avenue from Lafayette street east to East street.

Geo. M. Smith & Co. delivered the vantt doors for the new Oriel Cabinet company's building yesterday. Sullivan & Higgins began laying the

stone walk around the new county port bouse yesterday. The ineids work in the new police headquarters building was completed

There were nineteen real estate transfers reported to the register of deeds resterday.

Guster Guards will give a party in their armory Monday evening, April 18, Don't forget Corl, Knott A Co.'s mitthe Children of Zion church, and Miss linery opening today and tomorrow,

The Chicago & West Michigan Trains Enter the City

OVER THE G. R. & I. CO.'S TRACK

The Michigan Central Lease Has Expired and That's the Reason-Idle Rumors Refuted by General Manager

The report that the Chicago & West Michigan had severed its connection with the Michigan Central in so far as the use of tracks entering this city is concerned, has attracted considerable attention, and as a result a rumor has been growing to the effect that this meant the ultimate establishment of a shorter and more direct route to Chiago. To a reporter for THE HERALD Chas. M. Heald, general manager of the road, said: "The rumor is quite without foundation and it seems to me that any one who tries to make a mountain out of it will have to deal with a very small more-hill. The fact of the matter is that our road has for of the matter is that our road has for years owned, conjointly with the Michigan Central, several tracts of land in the neighborhood of Prescott and McConneil streets, and as the land was of no special use to us the Michigan Central people wanted it, we sold our entire interest to them several months since. Then, too, our track arrangements with them for entering the Union depot have just expired, and we found we could make better arrangements with the Grand hapids & Indiana railroad. We will in the future enter the city from the south over their plaster mill track, using some two thousand feet of their road. We formerly connected with the Michigan Central tracks, between Prescott and McConnell streets. These unimportant changes will involve no changes in our present arrangement of ticket offices and the like."

Mention of Persons.

Robert F. Barber, '92, Michigan State Normal school, is spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Barber of 212 North College avenue. E. P. Kidder, who returned from a two weeks' hunting and fishing trip,

went to Kalamazoo yesterday on busi-Mr. and Mrs. George C. Kahler and baby Eli, of Benton Harbor, are guests of Captain Kahler and family.

Miss Mand Withey returns to her studies at Miss Brown's school, New York City, this week. President W. O. Hughart and family are expected home from Florida this

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Lamos are expected home from California this week. Jacob Frey, who has been visiting friends in Jackson, has returned home. Will Mead is home from Philadelphia for the spring vacation.

F. W. Wurzburg has gone east on a Miss Nellie Chase has returned from

Doctors? Pshaw! Take Beecham's

See Our Line of

spring clothing, special styles. Gardi-

Today begins the great event of the year in local millinery circles. It is the Easter display of fine Parisian nov-elties, pattern hats and bonnets of Cori, Knott & Co. Every department of the vast Division street store of the firm is filled to its utmost capacity with rich displays of everything pertaining to the fine millinery trade. The selec-tions of the house for this year are be lieved to comprise the most artistic and elegant line of goods yet brought out. The department of flowers is especially large. The great establishment will be ornstely trimmed for the occasion and everything will be in readiness at 8 a. m. The attendance will be larger than for any similar event in the trade history of the city.

Use the A. & P. baking powder, absolutely pure, 45c per lb. Can only be bought at the Great Atlantic and Pacitic Tea Co.'s, 108 Monroe street.

J. P. Platte's grand opening of spring Parasols Wednesday afternoon and evening, April 13, No. 64 Monroe street.

Visit Penneli's Millinery opening Thursday and Friday of this week, at No. 5 North Division street.

The display of fine pianos and organs at Friedrich's, 30 and 3\$ Canal street, this week is one of the most complete and elaborate ever offered the musical public of Grand Rapids. All the new styles of finest in standar. makes and forms are on sale. The in-struments are all of the highest grade and their value sustained by the high character of Mr. Friedrich.

Go to the Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co. for your teas, coffees, baking powder and condensed milk. Watch for their Easter panel entitled Shoo. 108 Monroe street.

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Hark! I hear the mothers sing. Field's Worm Powders is just the thing. Pleasant to take, acting mild, By their use they cured my child. Ask your druggist for them.

Every sack of LILY WHITE FLOUR has a picture of our mill. None genuine without it. Valley City Milling Co.

Wait for the Corl, Knott & Co. grand Easter milinery opening of the retail department, Tuesday and Wenderday of next week.

Corl. Knott & Co.'s Opening. The Easter opening of Curi, Knett & Co,'s retail millinery department will occur on Tuesday and Wednesday next. The event is being looked forward to with much interest and eagerness by those dearing a sight of the latest noveline in French millinery. The Easter opening will be the event of the year in the line.

AT THE CAPITAL

POLITICAL EXCITEMENT LARGELY OVERSHADOWED.

A Most Interesting Interview with a Number of Prominent Officials-How the Strains of Public Life are Overcome.

Washington, April 4.—The absorbing excitement of Congress and the interest caused by varying schemes and various measures have been overshadowed of latein Washington by the revelations of the slarming death rate among public men, and the additional fact that in nearly every case the cause of the death can be traced to one source. Congressman Springer's dangerous and long-continued ill-ness the sudden death of Senator Plumb, and Mr. Blaine's constant ill health have must bered from the grave the memory of an army of public men who have died in the barness. Senator Beck dropped insensible in the Po-tomac Depot on the exact spot where President Garfield was shot.

Secretary Forger worked to the last, and died without warning.
Secretary Windom died while speaking at a

banquet Secretary Chandler was found dead in his bed at the Grand Pacific Hotel. Senator Tom Corwin expired at a receptio-white talking with Salmon P.Chase, Bea Wad. Senator Schenck and John Sherman. The Hon, Hannibal Hamila died at the civi while chatting with his friends.

Minister Pendieton passed away while scated in a ratiroad train.
Schator Charles Sumner, Massachusett's
pride, d.ed suddenly, working faithfully to the hour of his death.

Senator Simon Cameron feels the mystertous creepings of paralysis, and falls in the arms of his friends.

Salmon P. Chase passed away peacefully while scaled at his desk with his pen in 11.

hand. It has dawned upon the public men of the country, the theads of departments in Wash-lugten, and discerning people generally, that these untimely deaths. It was with a view, if possible, of solving this que tion that I called apon a number of prominent men, the results of which are given herewith. It is we I known that one of the nation's greatest men is Ger. B. F. Tracy, fe retary of the Navy, and that no man in Washington has worked narder. more persistently, or more effective y. His timely and efficient work in building up our national d fenses when the question of war with Chill was being a tilet d, must necessar ily have brought a reat strain upon his system. He was found, however, at the head of the Navy Department, and in very good humor. Referring to the subject Gen. Tracy

"I am in good health and spirits at present. Several years ago, however. I was so fully up pressed with the idea that I had usic neid to my blood that I took good care and go. 4 med icine to prevent its increase or continuance," "May I ask, General, what course you

"I had beard of many this ge, but I determ 1 led to try one especially. I lound it all that I desired, and, although that was some time since, I am, as you see, well today, although i am still taking the same medicine, which i

Warn T's Safe Cure," Co on I Daniel Grosvenor, the Calef of the First Division of the Comptroller's Office o

the United States Treasury, said : "I have had an unusual opportunity itwatch the condition of public men and th strains water public life b lags. Many prom inent men break down suddenly and, while til- may also be true of other walks in life, in seems especially true of Washington, My ex perience has shown that one remedy has pro ven more beneficial for the strains of life is the case of public men than any other know: discovery. That remedy is Warner's Safe Cure. The most remarsable instance of its power is that of Mr. J. H. Henderson Wilkin son, t e well known pension attorney. His restoration to health through its use was simp y marvelous. I myself believe in 11 implicitly. Congresamen J. C. Belden of New York

waen approached upon the subject, sald: "Ex-Governor alvord of Syracuse, N. Y., an slso ex Speaker of the House, furnished th most wonderful instance of the fact that public mon could withstand the strains o public life and yet live t a green old age. For men have ever been sicker than Senator A verd was, but he is now hale and hearty. Ht recess y is ducentirely to Warner's Sale Cure. which is certainly all the com neudation of any discovery that could be required," Mr. L. H. Egission, Judiciary Division. Comptroller's Office, United States Treasury.

'Ten years ago I was ill-very ill with disease pronounced by my attendant phys clans to be incipent Bright's disease. To treatment failed to benefit me, and I grow steadily and altridingly worse. Under the Cure, and have been in perfect health eve since. I am glad to state this, lecause it ma Sount r B. K. Bruce cordial's answered to

"I y gratitude is due to Hon. H. H. Warner mainfacturer of the Warner Safe Cure, for lenced through the is of his me licine. I ar well thdsy, and believe many pub to me

might preserve their health and prolong their lives by the use of this great enedy."

The same set sent can be found all ove Washington, and there is scarcely a desk in the Treasury or other d partne to where a buttle of the remedy cannot be found, popularity here is due wholly to what it has accompitate d

### To Make Plants Bloom



Prof. S. T. Maynard Prof. of Floriculture Massachusetts Agricul tural College, has written a little book,

"Window Gardoning, which we send free with each package our Flower Food. This little book cor. tains directions for

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Greatest Shoe and Slipper Sale in the History of Grand Rapids.

Having bought part of the large stock of Fine Boots, Shoes and Slippers of the late firm of Collins & Turner, shoe dealers of the East, we will sell part on

> THURSDAY, APRIL

Sale begins at 8 a. m., at

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The stock comprises the following goods, which will be sold THIS DAY ONLY.

A lot of Misses' fine Kid Opera Toe Slippers, all solid leather and stylish, sizes from 11 to 2, will be sold at

They are worth \$1.00, a bargain. A lot of Ladies' fine Kid Button Shoes, all solid and serviceable, a fine looking shoe,

all sizes, 21/2 to 7 in A. B. E lasts, opera toe and heel, we will offer at

These fit lovely and wear good. They are dirt cheap. A lot Ladies' fine Kid Oxfords Slippers with patent tips. landsome Slipper. The sizes are 4 to 8 in C. A and E lasts. We vill sell at \$1.00, worth \$2.50 all over town. They fit nicely and made of the best stock.

A lot of Men's fine Calf Shoes at \$1.18, in Congress or lace, sizes 6 to 9. Must go at this sale. You pay \$2.50 for the same

Numerous other goods in the same proportion. If you want o save money attend this great sale. Remember for one day mly. April 14th, at

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